

Free Press.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1885.

HOME NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF PASSENGER TRAINS.

TRAINS PASS SAN MARCOS AS FOLLOWS:
MAIL. MAIL.
Going South: 8:45 A. M. and 8:35 P. M.
Going North: 8:45 A. M. and 8:35 P. M.

Persons not subscribers who may at any time receive copies of the Free Press, will please understand that the papers are sent simply as samples, in the hope that the parties addressed may like it well enough to favor us with their subscriptions.

For Sale.
A choice lot in Coffield's addition to San Marcos. Inquire at this office.

Cash paid for cotton at HINZIE'S.

Chapman's photos are fine. 10-3w.

New lot of cooking-stoves at HINZIE'S.

Visiting Cards, latest craze, at this office.

Visit the new Millinery Store, east side plaza.

All wool flannel at 25c at DAILY & BROS.

Full line of sauces and condiments generally at HARDY & CO'S.

Six of the new White Shirts in the town for \$5.50 at W. C. DUGGER'S.

California fruits, grapes, pears, apricots, etc., at MCALLISTER'S.

Call and see our immense line of Dress Goods. DAILY & BROS.

For the celebrated Red Ribbon Coffee, go to B. F. BLOUNT & CO.

Brown and Bleached Domestic cheaper than ever DAILY & BROS.

Another lot of Magnolia Hains just in at HARDY & CO'S.

Another carload of Satin flour just received at HARDY & CO'S.

Bacon & Lard, a fresh supply at MCALLISTER'S.

Highest price paid for cotton-seed at M. HINZIE'S.

No trouble to show goods at W. C. DUGGER'S.

Landreth's seeds for fall planting. RAYMOND & DANIEL.

Berber satin, fresh and new at Daily & Bro., all wool at cash.

Double-width cashmere at 25c per yard. DAILY & BROS.

A fresh lot of the celebrated White Swan Flour just in at McAllister's.

Bacon, Lard, Onions, Potatoes, at MCALLISTER'S.

A new line of Prints at Daily & Bro. 20 yards for \$1.

Full Roller Patent Flour \$6.75 at B. F. BLOUNT & CO.

Full line fancy Crackers, of all kinds. HARDY & CO.

The finest line of Men's Hosiery you ever saw at W. C. DUGGER'S.

Fine lot of tobacco at low prices, at MCALLISTER'S.

For glassware, lamps, etc., go to HARDY & CO.

A set of our Luster-band White Granite would be a nice present. JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

Genuine Winter Weight Navy Blue at W. C. DUGGER'S for \$12.50, \$15.50.

WARRANTY DEEDS for sale at the FREE PRESS OFFICE.

Suits of Men's Underwear at W. C. DUGGER'S for 65c, worth, \$1.50 elsewhere.

New Hats, Clothing, Boots and Shoes. JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

Evaporated apples, the best and cheapest in the market at MARTIN HINZIE'S.

Nice line of water-coolers just received at M. HINZIE'S.

Trunks, both men's and ladies' at W. C. DUGGER'S, less money than can be bought elsewhere.

Largest stock of ladies' fashionable hats, etc., at the New Millinery Store, east side plaza.

New Dry Goods, Gingham, Prints Domestic, etc., in large variety and lower prices than ever. JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

To arrive, Carload of Salt, 20 barrels of sugar and a full line of Groceries generally, at MARTIN HINZIE'S.

Just received, a fresh lot of lard, bacon and ham, at M. HINZIE'S.

Old pictures copied and enlarged in India-ink, water-colors, crayon, etc. JOHN A. HOWELL, South side square.

Mr. Crosby has removed to his new Cotton office and yard a short distance south of Hinzies where he will be pleased to meet cotton sellers and others in the way of business.

Remember the old established house of Martin Hinzies is first class headquarters for family groceries of all kinds.

Fresh lot of California goods, direct from the Golden State. Call and examine at HARDY & CO'S.

\$25.00 Reward
For a baby whose photo can't be taken by John A. Howell, one door south of Martin Hinzies. Instantaneous process employed.

On and after this date I will close out my White and New Howe Sewing Machines at \$25.00; so don't be misled and pay \$40.00. W. C. DUGGER.

For Sale.
House and lot in San Marcos. House of four rooms, beside kitchen. Good well of water. Inquire at FREE PRESS OFFICE.

Visiting cards, latest style, round, square, and oblong corners; plain gold and mottled border edges for ladies and gentlemen. Send your orders.

Take Notice.
All whose bills with us are a month overdue are solicited to call at once and make payment. TAYLOR & THOMAS.

JEFFREY. All wool from 15c to \$3 new and stylish. JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

New Markets from \$5 to \$15: Misses Wraps, job lot, \$5 to \$6; the everything for school. Also School Janes, fancy work Baskets, in splendid assortment. JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

Virtue lives in acts and not in advertisement, and we dare say the Crescent will present as clean a face and clean a record through the run of a year's work, in all that affects good morals, good government, and the beauty and purity of social life, as our amiable neighbor.

Thus speaks our new newspaper neighbor, who is assuming to make the role of an advertiser and patron of whisky saloons harmonize with that of "a nice young man" and conservator of good morals. While we will not doubt his candor or sincerity in proposing to make the attempt, we feel quite sure it must prove a humiliating failure. It is quite impossible that it should be otherwise. He says "virtue lives in acts and not in advertisement." What is an advertisement of a whisky saloon, but an act—an immoral act, of the most serious character? Is not advertising supposed to add the advertiser? If so, does not the advertising of whisky saloons, in favorable terms, tend to increase their business and attract new customers to them? Do not the advertisements of these hell-holes in otherwise respectable newspapers tend to add to their influence and popularity—tend to attract new recruits among the young and unwary to these ghastly haunts of vice and purveyors of destruction? It is too plain for argument that such must be the result. How, then, can the publishers of such papers escape the just responsibility of criminal participation? They cannot do so.

We beg our neighbor to pause, reflect, and turn from the error of his ways before it is eternally too late.

The P. D. A. met at Mr. Hardy's Tuesday night, All Price is President.

Willie Joyce has retired from the ice-cream business, leaving Master Hardy sole proprietor.

The performances of the King & Powers Company at this place panned out but poorly.

The new Dry Goods Store in Pitchford's corner is in operation, and shows a fine array of reasonable goods. Call and examine. PAUL ASHER, Manager.

There is a general complaint of dull times. We believe it grows mainly out of the fact that the people in the country are too busy to come to town.

We used "all due diligence" to obtain the district court proceedings, but to no purpose. We incidentally learn, however, that there have been several convictions for horse stealing, etc.

In view of the remarkable circumstances attendant upon the death of Felder Kerr, it was naturally expected that an autopsy would have been held in the interest of medical science, and to satisfy the general interest in the subject; but for some reason it was not done.

Our City Schools.

We are pleased to learn that the trustees have closed a contract with Prof. Williams of Belton, to take charge of said schools, and are expecting him daily. He will at once proceed to grade the pupils. When he comes the assistants will be put in order, fitted with furniture, etc.

Man's underwear and overcoats at New York wholesale prices, at DUGGER'S.

To the Ladies.—Don't fail to go to W. C. DUGGER'S at once and buy your little clothing, he has the best line of Boys' Clothing in the town.

SHOE POLISH—A new and superior article, just received at the Boots store.

Finest Photos in the latest style, executed by the most artistic skill at John A. Howell's, first door south of Martin Hinzies'. Present low prices discounted after 10th of September.

Notices to Water Consumers.

Do not think that because your water bill is small it is not necessary to pay it promptly. The positive instructions of the manager is to close off all who fail to pay by the 5th of each month. Your neglect to comply with this rule causes him to either close you off, or to disobey his positive instructions. Respectfully,
Sept. 10-3w. SAN MARCOS WATER CO.

Mr. Chapman continues to sustain his high reputation as a photographic artist. There is no discount on his work.

Ladies, Attention—Something New in San Marcos.

At the ladies' new Dress Emporium, just opened on the east side of the plaza, will be found a full stock of ready-made dresses and underwear for ladies' and children. Also a large stock of ladies' hats, fashionable styles. The ladies are invited to call and examine: Mrs. F. ROUVANT, Mrs. B. WISE, Manager.

Just received. One carload each of the Schuttler and Tennessee Wagons. 60 Bags of Coffee. 25 Barrels of Sugar. One Carload Flour. 8 Pounds Choice Rio Coffee for \$1. 10 " Cut Leaf or Granulated Sugar \$1. Choice Family Flour \$6.80 per barrel. J. V. HUTCHINS.

A large assortment of embroidery and filling silk, chenille, armoire, crevels, stamped splashes and tidies, macramé cord, wools and sepiat, at BOOKSTORE.

P Is the Pastry, the Puddings and Pies. Which make the heart happy, and brighten young eyes.

And F is the Plenty of Sweetmeats and Cakes.

Which all children want and the Charter Oak bakes.

Feed 'em well, Till they swell, And blood always will tell. THEO. HERRING, Agt., San Marcos, Texas.

Best grade shears and scissors, all warranted, at BOOKSTORE.

I Am Agent For
McCormick self binder, Mowers etc, Jackson wagons
Casey's sulky plows
Standard cultivators
Bookwalter hay rakes
Wheeler Thrashers
and other machinery and farm implements for which I solicit orders, guaranteeing lowest prices and best terms. WK. GIERKE.

If You Want.
Thurber's Bird Seed,
Hecker's Oatmeal,
Asbrook's Coffee,
Feather's Coffee,
Best Grade Rio Coffee,
Best Sugar-house molasses,
Fairbank's Best Lard,
White Crane Fall Patent Flour,
Or other first-class goods, go to Taylor & Thomas. If you want cheap John Shoddy goods, go somewhere else.

DIED.

MARCO.—On Tuesday morning, the 15th at his residence near Kyle, Maj. EMMETT MARCO, aged 69 years and two days.

The deceased was one of the oldest, best known and most respected citizens of Hays county. He came from Arkansas at an early day, and held broad and deep foundations of a handsome fortune by the purchase of the large tract on the Blanco upon which he has ever since resided. He made it the centre of a thriving little community of which he was the head; the centre too, of a large, open-handed hospitality. He early established a mill and other machinery, and had the more necessary mechanic arts carried on at the premises. He was a successful farmer, mill-merchant, stock-raiser and trader, and the patron of every worthy enterprise which came within his reach. Especially was he a friend of education and a liberal contributor towards school interests. He was almost the father of Kyle, and to him, more than to any other man, perhaps, is that place indebted for the advancements of its interests, whether material or intellectual.

The loss of such a man is irreparable. But having lived out almost his allotted span and lived it well—happy in his domestic life, and a leader for good in his community—his departure from the world affords no reasonable ground for regret.

KERR.—On Wednesday evening, the 9th inst., Mr. GABRIEL FELDER KERR, cashier of the First National Bank of this city.

We made mention in our last of the strange and sudden illness of Mr. Kerr, and the anticipated fatal end. We can scarcely recall a more unexpected and afflictive dispensation of Providence. The deceased was a son of the late Rev. Mr. Kerr, the first Mayor of San Marcos. The child of pious and honored parents, Felder was early trained in the way he should go, and is confidently believed by those who knew him best never to have departed therefrom. He received a good business education and for years was the confidential clerk of Mr. Green of the First National Bank. In that capacity he was ever noted for his quiet, gentlemanly deportment and close attention to business. In short, few have ever better verified the trite couplet—
"None knew him but to love him,
Nor named him but to praise."

On the 25th of May last he was happily married to an entirely worthy of him, who with his aged mother and other relatives survives to deplore his untimely death. With this new tie to life, and the other responsibilities upon him, it seems peculiarly hard that he should have been so suddenly and fearfully summoned from this world. Only the consolations of religion can suffice to soften the pangs of such a bereavement. His remains were laid beside those of his father on the day following, in the presence of a large concourse of sympathetic friends. Rev. Mr. Gillett, assisted by Rev. Mr. Harris, conducted the funeral exercises in a very feeling and appropriate manner.

EVE.—On Tuesday night last, Charles D. son of Capt. Joe C. Eve, aged about 14 years.

Although always a child of affliction, his was a joyous nature, and he possessed a bright, active mind. Some two or three months since he exposed himself during some of his boyish sports and caught a cold which settled on his lungs and was the ultimate cause of his death. He was conscious to the last, spoke freely of his condition, and expressed his willingness to die. He left a last message of love and thanks to all who had been kind to him. Death came as a blessed release. And it appears to us but reasonable that such a he, who have failed of a fair start in the race of life, and perished untimely from earth, may have reserved for them a compensating lot of greater bliss hereafter—the contrast alone with their earthly state would cause this superior joy. Charles Dickens in one of his works speaks of "the old, old fashion—Death," and exclaims and we exclaim with him—
"O, thank God, all who see it, for that older fashion yet of Immortality! And look upon us, angels of young children, with regards not quite estranged, when the swift river bears us to the ocean."

After appropriate funeral exercises by Rev. Mr. Harris, Charles' remains were followed to the grave by a goodly number of our people and laid beside those of his mother.

Oyster Creek.

OTHER CREEK, Sept. 14, 1885.

ED. FREE PRESS.—Mr. Lee Burton and Miss Julia Lawrence were married on the 13th at the residence of the bride's father, Rev. J. S. Gillett officiating. After the ceremony the groom and bride repaired to church, where the happy couple, as well as a goodly number of others, had the pleasure of listening to a most practical sermon. And the congratulations of their many friends, we wish them a happy and successful life.

We had a nice rain a few days ago, and it is raining now as we write. It makes our heart leap for joy. It will make us plenty sweet potatoes, cabbages, peas and turnips, and will likely add to the yield of cotton in this community. You will remember we had a hail storm about the last of May which injured the cotton so badly that much of it had to be replanted, which cotton will be greatly helped by these timely showers.

J. T. D.
The case of J. H. Patterson, Co. Treasurer vs Hays Co., suit for commissions on court house and jail fund came up yesterday and was thrown out of court, on the ground of insufficient cause of action. Notice of appeal was given.

COOK BOOKS given away by G. W. DONALDSON & CO.

Tower's genuine fish Slicker at Dugger's for \$1.75, worth \$2.50 elsewhere.

Staples' Store.

ED. FREE PRESS.—The farmers are about half done picking their cotton. We think the average crop will be about half a bale to the acre. The late rains have injured the crops to some extent.

Mr. Gus Staples of Corpus Christi, has been visiting his parents at Staples' Store, will start for San Antonio to-day.

A young man by the name of Due, in our neighborhood is down with consumption and is expected to die soon.

LOVE STAR.

"Procrastination is the thief of time," so don't fail to see W. C. Dugger's main-moat stock of Men's and Boys' Clothing at once.

CASH FOR PRINTING.—All job work, which is essentially a cash business, must hereafter be paid for in cash. Don't ask us for credit or trade in this department.

PERSONAL.

Jim Storey is clerking for Green & Price.

Mr. Green has not as yet selected a successor to his late cashier, Mr. Kerr.

Mrs. M. E. Hillyer, wife of the photographer, Austin, died on Sunday last.

Mr. Erwin, once of this place, we notice has settled at Floresville in the fruit and confectionary business.

Elder Williamson preached on Sunday to him but a brother who is a son-in-law of Maj. Dixon. There was no doubt a large attendance.

J. B. Hanks informs us that he has had seven applications to rent a house for him during the past week. This is a good indication.

Mr. Jno. W. Burleson, in company with Mr. R. F. Hendricks, land agent for Messrs. L. & H. Blum, left on Wednesday for Colorado City, to be absent several weeks.

Mr. Gilbert, formerly of the Palestine press, made us a pleasant call on Tuesday. He is now engaged in the publication of the West Texas Star, devoted to a write-up of the region named.

It was W. L. Reasoner who had his trunk stolen as mentioned in our last. It is not him but a brother who is a son-in-law of Maj. Dixon. He has found his trunk—in a thicket, minus the contents.

Dailey & Bro. have a new head to their millinery department in the person of Miss Goodspeed, a very agreeable lady, recently from San Antonio, and a sister of Mr. Goodspeed of the west side of the plaza.

Mr. Andrews of Science Hall Home Institute, with T. D. Hudson his brother-in-law and Mrs. Dent, of Missouri, Mrs. Andrews' aunt, made the Free Press an agreeable call on Monday, having just visited the source of our river, in praise of the beauty of which they were enthusiastic. We were pleased to learn that Mrs. Andrews' school is starting under more auspicious circumstances than ever before.

Mrs. Matthews of our city, and Mrs. Brackridge of San Antonio, made the Free Press an agreeable call one day last week. We believe there was a partial reunion of the family at the residence of the former, on Sunday. The venerable mother of all the Brackridges still lives and resides with a son at San Antonio. The family were originally from southern Indiana.

Capt. Wright of the U. S. Signal Service, a nephew of Capt. Eve, being on official business in this part of the state, called to see them on day or two the fore part of the week. The meeting was joyous yet deeply mingled with sorrow because of the affliction of the family. Poor little Charley greeted the arrival of his cousin with gladness, but died during his brief stay.

Judge Norton is supposed to be engaged in compiling a history of the Texas newspaper press—an impossible task. The papers that have appeared and disappeared no man can number, and it is rather more than one can do to note the exits and the entrances of each passing day. The little county of Bowie has not been famous nor been conspicuous as a newspaper nursery or graveyard, yet the Texarkana States devotes two columns to the names of the papers and their publishers.

So says "State Press" of the Galveston News. But for the fact that the Free Press "came to stay," San Marcos would be this, like most similar towns in Texas, have shown an almost interminable list of abortive newspaper efforts.

In the western portion of this county there is a large area of thickly settled country, lying between Wimberly and Dripping Springs, that is badly in need of a postoffice. It would cost little to establish an office here as the Kyle and Blanco roads run directly through the center of the district, and considering the great convenience it would be to the people who live in that community, and who are compelled to travel several miles to procure their mail, we think the matter should be given some attention by our congressman the next time he visits this portion of the country.

We have heretofore called public attention to the need of a postoffice at the place suggested. We trust the above from the Kyle News may draw fresh attention to it so that the desired end may be reached.

BUCK'S BRILLIANT STOVE. Now lot just received which we guarantee to cook well and not to crack. G. W. DONALDSON & CO.

The Franklin Paper endorses the nomination of Judge Wood for Governor, as follows. As coming from those who know him best, the endorsement is creditable to the Judge:

Judge W. D. Wood's name has been mentioned in connection with the governorship. There is no better man for the position in all Texas, and in case he goes before the convention next year, he can safely count on the full votes of old Robertson and Leon, whose people are willing to trust him even with the presidency.

Buggies for sale at G. W. DONALDSON & CO'S.

Science Hall.

SCIENCE HALL, Sept. 12th, 1885.

EDITOR FREE PRESS.—Thinking you would like to receive a letter from this enterprising community I will take the responsibility upon myself of informing you of the news generally.

The cotton crop in this neighborhood will turn out about one-half a bale per acre. The corn crop will make from fifty to sixty bushels per acre.

Owing to the extremely low prices for hay, there is but little made now in the community. Johnson grass seems to be the favorite hay, among those who have tried it in this community. Mr. Hoppings, of DuPre, has sixty acres, H. H. Stanley, of DuPre, and D. A. Porter, of Kyle, seventy. All are very much pleased with it, notwithstanding the permanent growth on land.

The United Friends of Temperance is in flourishing condition at this place now. A few of the members have been discussing some very important problems at its last few meetings, one of them was, Resolved, That women should have a right to vote; affirmative, Frank Stanley and J. L. Andrews; negative, O. L. Whipple and S. A. Howell. The question was decided in favor of the affirmative, and we hail the day when she will be able to execute that right. God help the women, for they are the hope of our nation, and when woman suffrage is allowed, a new era will begin.

The people of this community seem to be taking a great interest in education, and I think Mr. Editor, we can boast of having as good a school as there is in the county, that is the Science Hall Home Institute. It may not rank just now with others in the number of pupils, but in the quality of teaching it is second to none. Its worthy principal, Mrs. Andrews, is a teacher who uses every possible means to promote the advancement of her pupils, while the assistant principal and prominent of mathematics, Dr. John F. Hillyer, is a man who takes a deep interest in the welfare of his pupils, and Misses Mary Combs and Lizzie Williams have charge of the Art and Musical departments are well fitted for the positions which they hold. More soon.

BUSINESS CARDS.

O. T. BROWN: ATTORNEY AT LAW,
SAN MARCOS, HAYS CO. TEXAS.
Office over Green's Bank, Jan. 3-5

"SEEING IS BELIEVING."

Nowadays everybody has got into the habit of "Spinning Big Yarns" in the Newspapers in reference to their prices on their goods. One will go as far as to fairly give an article away in order to get you to buy another article.

This is all very fine as far as it goes. But you can rest assured that indirectly you pay for all you can get on the so-called "gratis principle." Look well into this matter. "A word to the Wise is Sufficient." Again we repeat, "seeing is believing." The New Firm of

B. F. Blount & Co., Bock's New Building,

Respectfully invite you to "see" their fresh stock of Groceries, examine thoroughly their prices, and will guarantee you will not only believe but in fact you will feel positive you can do better at their house than anywhere else. jn 11
B. F. BLOUNT & CO.

The Leading Grocery House.

H. HARDY & CO.,

Have recently Come to the Front with a Full Line of Well Selected
STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES.

Our stock is always kept complete, and buying from first hands for cash enables us to sell at Rock Bottom Prices.

You will be surprised to find out how much you will gain by calling on us and getting our prices.

HIGHEST CASH PRICE PAID FOR COUNTRY PRODUCE.
H. Hardy & Co., will be found near the Southeast Corner of the Public Square, SAN MARCOS. jn29 3m

If all churches would make it a rule to strike from their rolls such members as willfully fail or refuse to pay their just debts, would it not elevate the churches in the estimation of the public generally? There are a great many church members who are noted for neglecting, failing or refusing to meet their obligations. The churches should get rid of such incumbents.—Georgetown Sun.

For Sale.

My residence in San Marcos, consisting of two large lots with improvements. The whole will be sold together, or the lots separately, to suit purchasers.

ALSO

A ranch near Wimberly, 160 acres, 16 in cultivation, good land, well watered. Call on or address I. C. WOOLTON, San Marcos, Aug 20-4f

W. C. Dugger has extra size Suits for Large Men; he has suits 48 inches in breast.

Legal Card.

W. D. Wood and Owen Ford have associated themselves together for the practice of law in civil matters in Hays county, Texas. Office in Wood's new building, up stairs, San Marcos. Oct. 25-ly.

To the Travelling Public.

OFFICE OF ST. LEONARD HOTEL, MAIN PLAZA, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, 1884.

Editor San Marcos FREE PRESS:

As I desire to make "The St. Leonard Hotel" a popular resort for stockmen, where they may enjoy all the substantial comforts of a first-class hotel, I have reduced my rates to correspond with the times, to

\$1.50 and \$2

per day and will be glad to see yourself and friends whenever you come to town, and will be on hand to attend to your comfort and make your stay agreeable.

Dr. L. A. Trexler, formerly of the "Central," having associated himself with me, will be found in charge of the office, and ready to receive any of his friends who may favor us with a call.

Care and stages pass the door.

Yours respectfully, PHINEAS P. LOUGHEEY, Proprietor.

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CRYSTALIZED LENSES

MOST BRILLIANT AND PERFECT LENSES IN THE WORLD. COMBINED WITH GREAT REFRACTIVE POWER. They are transparent and colorless as light itself, and for softness of endurance to the eyes cannot be excelled, enabling the wearer to read for hours without fatigue. In fact they are

Treatments from leading physicians in the United States, G. Overman, Senators, Legislators, Stockmen, men of note in all professions and in different branches of trade, bankers, mechanics, etc., can be given who have had their sight improved by their use.

HAWKES' Patent Extension Spring EYE-GLASSES.

FIRST IN RESISTANCE. FIRST IN RESISTANCE! Recommended by the Medical Faculty throughout the country. No pressure producing irritation. No danger of cataracts. In fact the result is wearing of extra eye-glasses. Reading with perfect ease upon any work. These glasses are FOR SALE IN SAN MARCOS BY S. F. McALLISTER